

CASABLANCA OF THE NORTH ACADEMY

3rd International conference
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2022, May 26, Kaunas

PROGRAM

- 9:30 Arrival
- 10:00 - 10:15 Welcoming remarks
Moderator: **Dr. Giedrius Janauskas** (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas)
- 10:15 - 10:50 Keynote speech
Prof. Ruth Leiserowitz (German Historical Institute Warsaw, Warsaw)
"...the reason given is that Vladivostok is overcrowded..." Jewish refugees in Kaunas 1938-1941
- 10:50 - 11:15 **Dr. Olga Barbasiewicz** (University of Social Sciences and Humanities, Warsaw)
The Sugihara and refugees picture in Olgierd Koreywo report
- 11:15 - 11:40 **Dr. Daniel Gerson** (University of Bern, Bern)
Between Neutrality and Humanity: Swiss Diplomats during the Holocaust
- 11.40 - 12.10 Coffee break
- 12:10 - 12:35 **Dr. Zofia Wóycicka** (German Historical Institute Warsaw, Warsaw)
The Ładoś Controversy or How to Tell the Story of Collective Rescue Efforts during the Holocaust
- 12:40 - 14:15 Lunch break
Moderator: **Prof. Egidijus Aleksandravičius** (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas)
- 14 :15 - 14 :40 **Arvydas Pakštalis** (Vytautas Magnus University, Kaunas)
Baltic Evacuees: the Long Journey to Australia
- 14:40 - 15:05 **Rabbi Aaron Kotler** (President Emeritus at Beth Medrash Govoha, New Jersey)
Unrecognized heroism in WW 2 Lithuania: the Jewish girls, the Japanese Ambassador, and the Roman Catholic priest - escape or survive annihilation
- 15:05 – 15:30 **Dr. Johann Nicolai** (Independent researcher, Berlin)
„Ein Breslauer reist um die Welt“ [A man from Breslau travels around the world] - The escape route of the Breslau Jew Bodo Langer to Chile

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- 15:30 - 16:00 Coffee break
- 16:00 - 16:25 **Dr. Linas Venclauskas** (Sugihara Diplomats for Life Foundation, Vytautas Magnus University)
Troublous times – WW2 refugees in Lithuania, insights of Ignas Šeinius and Mykolas Römeris
- 16:25 - 17:00 Final discussion and remarks

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